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Sh. Niranjn Singh s/o Fauja Singh 9988854725

r/o H.no. 1681,  
Street Guruawali,  
Jandiala Guru,  
District Amritsar.

..Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Mini Secretariat,  
District Amritsar.

Smt. Santosh Rani

Public Information Officer-cum-Under Secy., (Registered)  
o/o the Financial commissioner,  
Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt.,Pb.  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,  
Mohali.

....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 340 of 2020  
(Cisco Webex/Phone Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Niranjn Singh, complainant.  
Sh. Lambar Dass 7973431495 on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 5.10.2020.

2. The complainant states that no information has been provided by the respondents so far. However, the representative of the respondents states that the information concerning year 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 has already supplied to the complainant vide No. 5082 dated 9.11.2020 and a copy of the same has been sent to the Commission, which is taken on record. Regarding the remaining information from 2005-2014, the representative of the respondents states that the record is being traced and requested for the adjournment of the case for a week.

3. According to the request of the representative of the respondents the case is adjourned with the directions to the respondent-Public Information Officer to provide the information concerning the RTI application from 2005 to 2014 and in case the same is not traceable then an undertaking regarding its un-traceability be filed before the next date of hearing to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. A copy of the reply received from the respondents dated 9.11.2020 is **sent with this order**.

4. To come up on 24.11.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar/cisco webex.

Dated: 10.11.2020

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Sh. Gagandeep Kumar s/o Sh. Joginder Pal,  
r/o VPO Kathu Nangal,  
Tehsil Majitha,  
District Amritsar.

..Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Mini Secretariat,  
District Amritsar.

....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 350 of 2020  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Gagandeep Kumar, complainant.  
Sh. Mukesh Kumar, D.R.O. on behalf of the respondent.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 5.10.2020.

2. The appellant states that the respondents are not providing the complete information. However, the respondent-Public Information Officer states that the information has already been sent to the complainant vide No. 700 dated 5.11.2020 comprising 107 pages excluding the HRC certificate and forwarding letter. He also states that in case the complainant does not receive the same within a week, he may come to the office and the complete information duly certified will be supplied to him.

3. After hearing both the parties, the complainant is advised to go through the same on its receipt and in case he does not receive the same within a week he may approach the District Revenue Officer-cum-Public Information Officer, o/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar he will provide the another set of complete information duly certified. He is also advised to point out deficiency, if any, to the respondent-Public Information Officer before the next date of hearing with a copy to the Commission. Copies of the letters received from the respondent-Public Information Officer are **sent with this order**.

4. To come up on 14.12.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar/cisco webex.

Dated: 10.11.2020

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Sh. Amrik Singh M 7626002932  
Village Sheikhuwas,  
PO Ghoerenab, Tehsil Lehra Gaga,  
District Sangrur.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Panchayat Secretary, Sheikhuwas,  
c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Block Lehra Gaga,  
District Sangrur

First Appellate Authority  
o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Sangrur.

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2354 of 2020  
(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Amrik Singh, appellant.  
Sh. Hardeep Singh, Panchayat Secretary 9646630500 on behalf of the  
respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 21.10.2020.

2. The appellant states that the respondents are not providing the complete information. On the other hand the representative of the respondents states that the complete information has already been provided.

3. Therefore, the directions are issued to both the parties to remain present at Chandigarh along with the original record/information received so that a logical decision can be taken.

4. To come up on 24.11.2020 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated: 10.11.2020.

sd/  
(Suresh Arora)  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.

CC

Block Development and Panchayats Officer (By name)  
Block Lehragaga,  
Sangrur

Registered

To comply with  
the orders of the  
Commission.

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Sh. Jaspal Singh S/o Sh. Sadhu Singh,  
R/o Village -Jasowal,  
PO Sindhuwal,  
Tehsil & Distt Patiala-147001

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Chief Secretary,  
Personnel Department, PB,  
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority  
O/o Chief Secretary,  
Personnel Department, PB,  
Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2526 of 2020  
(Cisco Webex/Phone proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Kuldeep Jindal, Sr. Asstt 8725000575 o/o Secretary Personnel (PCS  
Branch) on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

The RTI application is dated 19.3.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 30.6.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 8.9.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The representative of the respondents states that a letter vide memo No. 1/101871/2020 dated 9.11.2020 has been issued to the appellant with a copy to the Commission, which is taken on record. Since the appellant is absent without intimation, he is advised to represent his case failing which the ex-parte decision will be taken on the next date of hearing.

3. To come up on 24.11.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Patiala/cisco webex.

Dated: 10.11.2020

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Sh. InderjitRTI Activist 7888383867

Chamber No. 141 A,  
New Court Jalandhar,  
Jalandhar.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat Satowal,  
c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Adampur,  
Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority  
o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Mini Secretariat,  
Jalandhar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1915 of 2020  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Inderjit Singh, appellant.  
Sh. Jagmohan Singh, Supdt and Sh. Vijay 8198878899 on behalf of the  
respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.9.2020.

2. The appellant states that the respondents are not providing the complete information on the other hand the representative of the respondents states that the complete information has already been provided.

3. Therefore, the directions are issued to both the parties to remain present at Chandigarh along with the original record/information received so that a logical decision can be taken.

4. To come up on 16.12.2020 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated: 10.11.2020.

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Shri Baljit Singh S/o Shri Harjeet Singh, 98148-9955  
R/o H. No. 4882 - B,  
Guru Arjan Dev Nagar,  
PO - Khalsa Collale, Amrisar.

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Chief Engineer,  
Panchayati Raj, P.W., Works, Punjab,  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector -62,  
SAS Nagar(Mohali).

First Appellate Authority-cum-  
Financial Commissioner,  
Rural Development and Panchayat Department,  
Vikas Bhawan,  
Punjab, Mohali.

Public Information Officer  
o/o the Executive Engineer,  
Panchayati Raj Division,  
Vikas Bhawan, Mohali.

..Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 1713 of 2020

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Harjit Singh father of Sh. Baljit Singh on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Maheshwar Sharda, Executive Engineer, P.R. Divn., Mohali-6239159583  
on behalf of the respondents.

### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 21.10.2020.

2. The respondent-Public Information Officer states that in compliance with the last orders of the Commission, the matter has been enquired and the information concerning Point No. 1 & 2 of the RTI application will be supplied to the appellant within a week under intimation to the Commission. Regarding Point No. 3 & 4 the representative of the respondents states that no information is liable to be supplied as the appellant has asked the questions with which the appellant agreed to.

3. After deliberations, the directions are issued to the respondent-Public Information Officer to supply the information pertaining to Point No. 1 & 2 of the RTI application under intimation to the Commission.

4. To come up on 19.11.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar /cisco webex.

Dated: 10.11.2020

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Shri Baljit Singh S/o Shri Harjeet Singh, 98148-9955

R/o H. No. 4882 - B,

Guru Arjan Dev Nagar,

PO - Khalsa Collale, Amrisar.

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Chief Engineer,

Panchayti Raj, P.W., Works, Punjab,

Vikas Bhawan, Sector -62,

SAS Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Financial Commissioner,

Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Pb.

Vikas Bhawan, Mohali.

..Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 1728 of 2020

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Harjeet Singh father of Sh. Baljeet Singh on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Sarabjit Singh, Sr. Asstt. on behalf of the respondents.

### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 21.10.2020.

2. The appellant states that nothing has been supplied by the respondents since the last date of hearing. However, the representative of the respondents placed on record a copy of the letter bearing No. 1020 dated 9.11.2020 and states that the complete information whatever on record has been supplied to the appellant.

3. Accordingly a copy of the letter dated 9.11.2020 along with the letter dated 11.3.2016 is sent with this order to the appellant to go through the same and point out deficiency, if any, to the respondent-Public Information Officer with a copy to the Commission before the next date of hearing. Also the respondent-Public Information Officer is directed to remove the same in case any deficiency is pointed out by the appellant before the next date of hearing .

4. To come up on 9.12.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar/cisco webex.

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(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner,  
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Shri Harjeet Singh S/o Shri Balbir Singh, 98148-09717

R/o H. No. 4882 - B,

Guru Arjan Dev Nagar,

PO - Khalsa Collage, Amrisar.

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Chief Engineer,

Panchayti Raj, P.W.D, Punjab,

Vikas Bhawan, Sector -62,

SAS Nagar(Mohali).

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Financial Commissioner,

Rural Development and Panchayat Department,

Vikas Bhawan,

Punjab, Mohali.

Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 1716 of 2020

### (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Harjeet Singh appellant.

Sh. Sarabjit Singh, Sr. Asstt. on behalf of the respondents.

#### ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 21.10.2020.

2. The appellant states that nothing has been supplied by the respondents since the last date of hearing. However, the representative of the respondents states that the orders of the Commission has not been received in the office so no action has been taken by the office.

3. During the hearing on 21.10.2020 the orders were passed after deliberations with the parties in which Sh. Sanjay Ghai, Executive Engineer, deemed-Public Information Officer remained present and the directions were issued to the respondents to supply the following information pertaining to the RTI application of the appellant:-

1. Post of his first appointment in the department
2. Date of his joining.
3. Name of divisions/sub divisions/offices where he has served till date.
4. Certified copies of appointment letter and all transfer orders issued from time to time till date.
5. Certified copy/s of promotion orders of promotions given to him till date, if any.

4. The reply of the representative of the respondents is not tenable that the office has not received the orders of the Commission. Whereas, the orders of the Commission are available on the website and in the instant case the orders have been uploaded on the website on 28.10.2020 and the same has also been sent to the respondents by post on 28.10.2020. Even though the deemed-Public Information Officer Sh. Sanjay Ghai was aware of the proceedings of the case but it appears that he has not taken any action in this regard on the one hand and his non appearance in this case shows that he is not serious to discharge his obligation under the RTI Act. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application of the appellant Sh. Sanjay Ghai, Executive Engineer-cum-deemed Public Information Officer, is thus issued a show

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Appeal Case No. 1716 of 2020

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cause notice to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a compensation to the appellant for detriment suffered by him under section 19(8) of the RTI Act,2005 may not be awarded.

5. In addition to the written reply, the Public Information Officer is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before awarding the compensation on the next date of hearing. He may take a note that in case he does not file his written reply and do not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

6. One last opportunity is granted to the respondent-Public Information Officer to supply the complete information to the appellant as mentioned in para 3 above before the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission failing which the case penalty provisions will be invoked on the next date of hearing.

7. To come up 9.12.2020 at 12.30 PM on to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar/cisco webex.

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(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.

Dated: 10.11.2020

CC  
Sh. Sanjay Ghai, Registered  
Executive Engineer,  
Punchayati Raj Divison, Mohali  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,  
Mohali

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Sh. Amrit Pal Singh, (7710294404)  
Village Hothian, Tehsil Kadhoor Sahib,  
District TaranTaran.

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
o/o Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Deptt., Pb.  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,  
Mohali

Public Information Officer,  
Cum-Panchayat Secretary, Hothian  
c/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Block Khadoor Sahib,  
Distt.TaranTaran.

First Appellate Authority, By name Registered  
o/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Mini Secretariat, TaranTaran.

..Respondent

Appeal Case No. 966 of 2020  
(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Gurmeet Singh, Block Development and Panchayats Officer 9914412211  
on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 21.10.2020.

2. The respondent-Public Information Officer made the submissions that the case may be adjourned and the amount of compensation will be paid to the appellant amounting to Rs.5000/- (Rupees Five thousand only).

3. According to the request of the representative of the respondents the case is adjourned with the directions that the compensation amount be paid to the appellant before the next date of hearing and a confirmation in this regard be sent to the Commission.

4. To come up on 16.12.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Taran Taran/cisco webex.

sd/

Dated: 10.11.2020

(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.

cc

Director, (By name) ( REGD)  
Rural Development and Panchayat, Department, Punjab,  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,  
Mohali

For information.

Sh. Gurmeet Singh (Regd.)  
Block Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Block Khadoor Sahib,  
District Taran Taran.

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Sh. Hardial Singh S/o Sh. Sher Singh,  
VPO Dhablan,  
Tehsil & Distt Patiala.  
M : 9877709415

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Block Development and Panchyat Officer,  
Block - Patiala,  
Patiala.  
First Appellate Authority,  
O/o District Development and Panchyat Officer,  
Patiala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2516 of 2020  
(Cisco Webex/Phone proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Hardial Singh, appellant.  
Sh. Gurinder Singh Tung, Block Development and Panchayats Officer on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

The RTI application is dated 2.6.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 9.7.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 7.9.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant states that the respondents are not providing the complete information in this case. On the other hand the representative of the respondents states that the complete information has already been provided.

3. Therefore, the directions are issued to both the parties to remain present at Chandigarh along with the original record/information received to take the matter to its logical end.

4. To come up on 14.12.2020 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated: 10.11.2020.

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Sh. Hardial Singh S/o Sh. Sher Singh,  
VPO Dhablan,  
Tehsil & Distt Patiala.  
M : 9877709415

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Director,  
Rural Development and Panchayat Department, PB,  
Mohali.  
First Appellate Authority  
O/o Director,  
Rural Development and Panchayat Department, PB,  
Mohali.

Public Information Officer By name Registered  
o/o the Addl. Deputy Commissioner (Dev.),  
Mini Secretariat, Patiala

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2515 of 2020  
(Cisco Webex/Phone proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Hardial Singh, appellant.  
Sh. Budh Singh, Supdt and Sh. Lambar Dass 7973431495 Supdt. on behalf of  
the respondents.

## ORDER

The RTI application is dated 20.3.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 3.7.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 7.9.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant states that the respondents may be directed to supply the complete information in this case. The appellant has also made the submissions in this regard through email which are taken on record. However, the representative of the respondents states that the appellant can sought the information from the ADC(D), Patiala as the matter concerning the RTI application is being enquired by him.

3. After hearing both the parties, the Public Information Officer o/o the Addl. Deputy Commissioner (Dev.), Patiala is impleaded as necessary party in this case with the directions to file the reply/supply the information as has been sought by the appellant. A copy of the RTI application along with the submissions made by the appellant is **sent with this order**.

4. To come up on 14.12.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Patiala/cisco webex.

Dated: 10.11.2020

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(Suresh Arora)  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.